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President DeRosa's Forum: a true success

Erin Birmingham
News Editor

President's Forum

The President's Forum took place on Thursday, October 27th in Pacific's Grace Covell Hall. In the Hall every seat was filled, and most standing space was quickly occupied. This forum is a unique opportunity for students and staff to hear, in his own words, The President's insights into the current state and future aspirations of The University of the Pacific. President DeRosa spoke optimistically about the University's enrollment, finances, tuition, staff pay plan, and building advancements.

Ten Year Comparisons of enrollment, applicants, SAT Scores and Campus Occupancy, were the first things to be discussed. Interest in the University has increased drastically within the past ten years.

Freshman applications have nearly tripled, with an increase from 2,146 in 1995 to 5,869 in 2005. Law school applications increased from 2,210 (1995) to 3,400 (2005), Dental school applications

went from 1,971 (1995) to 2,581 (2005), and Pharmacy school applications nearly doubled from a 1,266 (1995) enrollment to 1,890 (2005).

President DeRosa proudly explained that, "our school receives more pharmacy school applications than any other school in the United States."

Freshman SAT scores have also gone up 102 points in comparison to 1995 and the number of transfer students has decreased. The occupancy on the Stockton campus has increased 48.1%. Ten years ago two of the residence halls were empty, where as today all of them are open and filled to maximum capacity.

One of the largest matters discussed in regards to finances was the Campaign. The Campaign aims at raising \$200,000,000. So far 85% of that has been met with an impressive Campaign total of \$178,764,748 as of September 30, 2005.

"We need to keep the tuition within the bounds of what our needs are", said

President DeRosa.

A market comparison of undergraduate tuition proved that Pacific has the lowest tuition in comparison to other schools like it, such as Pepperdine University (CA) and Loyola Marymount (CA). Pacific also has the lowest overall total tuition change, 48.85%, over the past 10 years.

A large amount of attention was paid to the new Biology Sciences Building and the University Center. The buildings are scheduled to be under construction by mid summer.

The new Biology Science building will be located on South Campus Lawn in between the Bernerd School of Education and the Classroom Building. The building will have two levels, and will contain a conference room, multiple instructional and research labs, a large state of the art lecture hall and a smaller lecture hall.

This new addition to the science department was a dream of recently deceased professor Paul Richmond. "Paul Richmond is the driving force

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Photograph by Dan Cammarano

President Derosa addresses a packed hall on Thursday, October 27th. Enrollment, finances, tuition, the staff payment plan, and the 2 new buildings were the major points of the 2006 Forum.

Frosh Five Film Festival

Andrew Mitchell
Staff Writer

For the past two months, freshmen have worked on producing movies for the Frosh Five Film Festival. This event, which is new to Pacific, has freshmen working in teams to make five-minute films detailing the freshmen experience. To accomplish this task, teams were given an Apple iBook, a Sony digital camcorder, and the aid of other Apple products.

"The Frosh Five Film Festival

is fantastically fabulous," said Nick Gillett.

Sue Eskridge, an associate professor at the Gladys L. Benard School of Education, is coordinating the event. She first brought up the idea to the university provost as a way to get freshmen at the campus involved right away.

This year's program is a field test of sorts as Professor Eskridge and staff members evaluate its success.

A major boon to the event

has been the cooperation from Apple Computers. Eskridge says that the company came to the campus to give demos of their products and provide an iMovie step-by-step guide. The university purchased Apple equipment for each filming team to use.

Each team has a coach who helps the students along in their projects. The coaches, who are upperclassmen, respond to the instructions of head coaches and Eskridge.

Participants also had the opportunity to meet with film



Photograph by Tina Brehmer

(From Left to Right) "metal chick" Amanda Langworthy, "jock" Solo Salsido, "ditzy girl" Christy Yadon, "nerd" Mark Eric, "emo kid" Chris Brown

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behind the science building," expressed President DeRosa.

The University Center will be located on Hand Hall Lawn along the edge of the Calaveras River, and near the Baun Fitness Center. The University is also going to

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and stage director Greg Ganakas who was flown from New York City. Ganakas, who taught at New York University's film school, studied each team's ideas, gave creative suggestions, and helped with finding techniques of movie-making.

A committee of judges composed of community and faculty members who have experience with filmmaking will vote on which movie is the best. Every movie, upon completion, will be streamed online for the committee to

begin a project to restore the Calaveras River to its natural state. The restoration will occur along the river from Pacific Ave. to Perishing.

The University Center will have two levels, with an area of the top level cut out, allowing visitors to view the bottom level. The Center will have one event area that

vote on. The student body at Pacific will also have a chance to view each movie and vote.

The official festival will take place November 15 at 8:00 in the Pacific Theater. Earlier that day, a VIP gathering will be held where the top winner will be identified. A grand prize will be awarded to the team and a trophy will be displayed on campus with the names of the winning team members engraved in it. Everyone is welcome to attend the film festival.

AS REPORTED BY PUBLIC SAFETY

WEEKLY REPORT

October 23 -- October 29

ARREST IN MONAGAN HALL Officers were dispatched to Monagan Hall on a report that a subject was intoxicated and attempting to start a fight with several others. Officers located the subject and arrested him. He was booked for public intoxication.

BURGLARY TOWNHOUSE APTS Victim reports someone entered his room and took a Microsoft X-Box operating system. The victim stated he left the door to the apartment unlocked.

CASUALTY SOUTHWEST HALL Officers responded to a call of a subject feeling ill. Medics arrived and assisted subject who was transported to the hospital.

THEFT LONG THEATER Victim reports that someone took her Mangi purple and silver bicycle. The bike was secured to the rack with a cable lock.

SCIENCE Bon Appetite

reports someone took 6 Frappuccinos from the refrigerator without permission.

POSSESSION OF A WEAPON HEALTH SCIENCES Officers

responded to a call of a two suspicious subjects. Officers located two subjects on bicycles in the parking lot. One of the subjects had several knives on his person and was arrested for possession of the knife.

AUTO THEFT DAVE BRUBECK WAY

Subject was delivering pizza and when he returned, he discovered his 2000 Ford Explorer gone. It was not known how the vehicle was stolen as the victim still had the keys.

FIGHT SOUTHWEST HALL

Officers responded to a fight between two subjects. Minor injuries to the subjects involved. It appears alcohol was a contributing factor.

NEWS

seats 700, and one dinning area that seats 400, a bookstore, and a coffee shop on the first level. On the second level there will be a student life section, a student activity area, a new Redwood Room, conference rooms, and a pub.

The Pub will "have big screen TVs like the ESPN

Zone, a fire place and a lodge feel," President DeRosa. The pub will be a social gathering place for students and may be used for Jazz concerts or other events of that nature. It will serve alcohol to students of legal drinking age.

The Center will also have outdoor eating areas and a large porch overlooking the

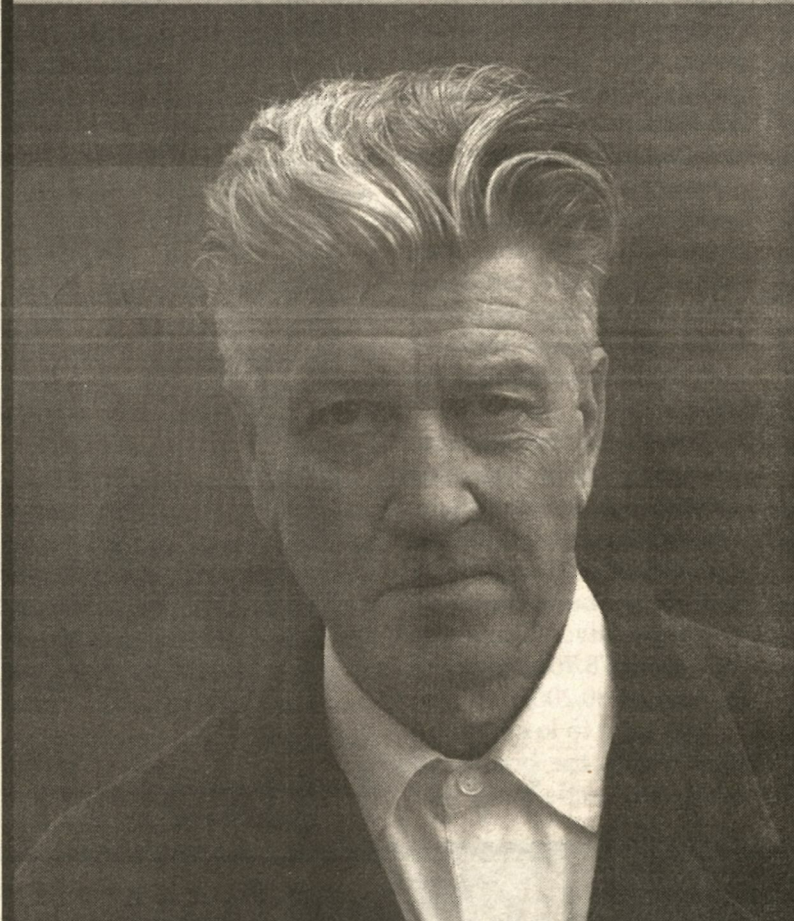
Calaveras River.

Construction of the new University Center will be environmentally conscious and architects will integrate technology and materials that are the least harmful on the environment as possible.

All of these improvements aim to, "create new programs of true distinction".

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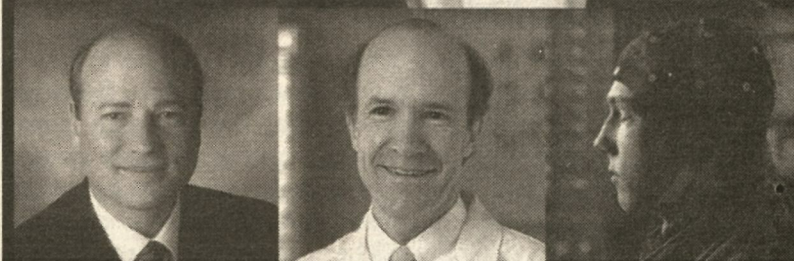
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'June Cleaver'

PERSPECTIVES



'Rosie the Riveter'

A greater ambition than a 'homemaker' future

By Satinder Gill
Staff Writer

friend's secret desire to be a housewife.

Never mind her lack of a husband, children or house-some of the basic implied necessities of a traditional housewife—I have spent the duration of our friendship persuading her to be an active independent female. Where then, did she adopt this radical notion of staying at home, scrubbing bath tubs, cooking meals and teaching piano lessons? Could it be the scarcity of positive female role models in leading positions or the constant publicity and influence of traditional female roles including maintaining an attractive appearance versus competitive and assertive professional success?

Perhaps she's watched one too many episodes of ABC's hit show *Desperate Housewives*. The Bacardi came into good use.

Although I was at first appalled by my friend's career

solution and threatened to leave her alongside I-5 for proposing such insanity, I considered her suggestion and the extent to which I practice traditional female roles. Wanting to support my friend; I looked to broaden my definition and appreciation of housewives and attempted to accept her interest. It's not that I question or underestimate the workload of a housewife; I simply question whether it's truly an option with today's economy.

Personally, being a woman who lacks the interest (and often ability) to perform basic domestic chores, I find it shocking that my friend actually considers it a career option. Nevertheless, on Saturday morning, I found myself standing at the stove debating my ability to make French toast. Previous cooking experiences have resulted in things catching fire, including my own hair. Furthermore, I don't even eat French toast. In fact, I'm a vegetarian. Luckily most of my food can be eaten with little preparation. Why then would I be stirring eggs and burning toast for my brothers. After breakfast, I proceeded to wash their dishes and start a load of laundry. Taking advantage of my generosity, my brother asked for lunch a few hours later. After a quick laugh, we drove to Chipotle.

It's evident that while some women strive for success within the household, others look outside. While some women want to be active in the workforce, oth-

Shady activities in the art world

By Christina Nealon
Guest Writer

Being an art lover, I often visit the local Haggin Museum to spend some time browsing the collections. Along with the paintings, sculptures and historical artifacts from Stockton and the San Joaquin Valley, there are relics such as ancient Egyptian objects (including a

But I always wondered how museums obtained ancient objects, for example the Egyptian mummies in the Haggin.. If you trace back the chain of possession far enough, how does a person or institution gain possession of such objects and sell them legitimately?

This question was brought into my forethought again when a former curator of



The Getty Museum.

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mummy in its carved wooden coffin, and a mummified cat) and American Indian 'objets d'art' like intricately woven baskets and beaded

"I always wondered how museums obtained ancient objects."

buckskin clothing.

I am sure that the paintings and historical artifacts in the Haggin Museum—including a massive, restored-from-vintage agricultural machine—were procured legitimately, through purchases from other painting collections, and donations by generous museum patrons.

antiquities named Marion True was accused by Italian authorities of having received dozens of stolen art objects that were incorporated into the collection of the Getty Museum in Los Angeles. True will go on trial in Rome next month to answer charges that from the mid-80s to the late nineties she had allowed about 40 objects into the museum collection despite knowing their status as items pilfered from various private collections or illegally excavated (many countries have strict laws governing the excavation of artifacts).

Since this is a legal case relevant to my studies and personally interesting as well, I will be looking for future updates on the proceedings.



This vintage ad reinforces the 'domestic female' stereotype.

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ers are forced to due to the lack of better an economical standing. Many attempt to balance their personal and professional lives hoping for success in both. But can you really spend your time straightening your hair, curling you eyelashes and searching for matching accessories or fixing school lunches, attending PTA meetings and coaching soccer, when your job requires long hours, constant travel and extensive research? Is it possible to have the three kids, white picket fence and family dog while

"Unlike their male counterparts, it's less acceptable for women to unwind using four-letter words..."

being competitive and assertive at work?

Compromising, as we often do, my friend and I concluded that we each have own definition of success. While my friend awaits the perfect man to sweep her off her feet and looks forward to weekends at the cabin with the kids, I strive to advance my family's current business and make a political difference. My stubbornness and confidence leads me to believe that she will someday seek employment outside of her home and have a need to continue her education. Her optimism stretches to imagine me raising children and playing housewife. We agreed that if that if this mythical "perfect man" came to life and was interested, I'd slow down and give him a fair chance and that when she ran out of money, she'd look for a job! But what led us to believing that we can only pursue one of the two options?

Judging from the number of women in professional leadership positions it is clear that there are roadblocks and set backs

to success. As of 2002, the United States ranked 43rd for the number of female representatives in freely elected governments out of over 100 nations. Moreover, working women earn considerably less money than their male counterparts.

As the world's model for democracy, the United States does a horrible job of leading by example. Our Congress is currently comprised of over 80% males. In order to best serve our country, we need individuals who are representative of our public. Women make up over half of our current population, yet serve as less than 20% of our leaders. Women who do hold influential positions often act more masculine and withhold feministic characteristics in order to be respected. Furthermore, as opposed to being recognized for their professional success, they are instead scrutinized for their failures to comply with traditional feminine roles. Margaret Thatcher, Condoleezza Rice, Hilary Clinton, Mary McAleese and many more have all displayed an attempt to blend into the corporate world. Each of these women wear a short clean hair cut, keep jewelry and makeup to a minimum and dress in skirt or pant suit sets. Not only are women pressured to maintain a professional image and compete for professional growth, they are expected to maintain an attractive "lady like" appeal. Women must worry about grey hair, gaining weight, wrinkling skin and losing their general physique. Unlike their male counterparts, it's less acceptable for women to unwind at the end of a day using four letter single syllable words along with a box of cigars and bottle of hard liquor.

Perhaps there will be a day when qualified, educated and experienced females will be able to join the many current naive, emotionally suppressed and self-fulfilling men that currently rule our country, all while having an option for a traditional personal life.

A new addiction: Myspace

Part One--investigating the culture

By Marcel Gibson
Columnist

It crept up on us like a monster in the night. It was a late November night, and in a matter of seconds instant messages were being sent asking a single question, "Are you on Facebook?"

Hundreds of people logged on, made a profile, and became addicted minions of a single url. Day in and day out, hour after hour, minute after minute, people checked and re-checked to witness their online social lives blossom. "Bob wrote on my wall! Finally!"

The epicenter was Harvard, but like a wildfire it spread to college campuses around the country. Some could resist, while most succumbed to its "pokes" and friend counts. Eventually, all would submit.

But that was until a more dangerous form spawned; faster and fiercer than Facebook! Now people could "comment" each other and write long blogs about their lives. Now pictures could be shown to the world, and could "lurk" each other. Now a person's entire persona was for the masses to see!

No one needed to leave their computers because a social life was only a mouse click away. No cell phones, no movie dates, and no social engagements. MYSPACE replaced all normal social interaction with much, much more.

It became an addiction. Countless hours were wasted as poor souls' hinged their happiness on messages their cyber friends might send. The number of "views" and "friends" became the value of other souls' worth. The most addicted invested hours building their homepage, "their space", to reflect how cool their amazingly exciting lives were!

How bad is the addiction?

Bad. It starts with a log in into a homepage, known as "My space." Addicts then add new, mostly pointless, blogs about their truly inconsequential lives. Then a single click on a message leads to a friend's cyber profile, which must be read. That one's read, then another click, and another profile. Two hours later, the addict has got her fix.

As an admitted addict who wishes to remain anonymous put it, "Sometimes I have to do research, and then two hours later I realize that I've spent my entire time on Myspace and haven't looked one thing up."

"Addicts then add new, mostly pointless, blogs about their truly inconsequential lives."

Addicts have also testified about their addictions on their own sites. As one addict stated on her blurb, "Ya'll are obsessed, but I luv ya anyways! I now understand the addiction of MySpace and it's messing with my mind!"

For the Myspace addict, the line between reality and cyberspace is in fact blurred, if not entirely nonexistent. Unlike its predecessors, like Xanga, where drama was simply introspection of the maniac depressed, the real life drama played out over its message boards is unprecedented.

A girl can learn her boyfriend is cheating because "his space" is smothered with messages from another lady user. Users talk crap about people for the worldwide web to hear. Friendships have ended because one friend associates with her friend's enemy.

Truly an addict's reality can be distorted, but some completely lose touch. Some addicts become stalkers as they can procure the most

intimate of details from person's "space." They beg as "lurkers" or addicts who obsessively view a stranger's profile and subscribe to stranger's blog. They try to contact their victims real life and establish a relationship. Poor souls.

Addicts may also turn into utter weirdos who send grotesque nude pictures themselves, asking unsuspecting users if they want to engage in "cybering." Known by non-addicts as cyber sex, Myspace has strict guidelines against "cybering." However, the frequent certain users receive pictures of Bob's buddy suggest the sites policing powers are lacking.

The lack of regulation has allowed users to post as other people. In fact, I personally had a "space" on "Myspace" without my knowledge. Though it amounted to an addict's attempt to get me on the drug, people can be completely deluded with an easily made webpage.

The addiction has turned into an epidemic, spanning well over 32 million users and adding about 130,000 new members a day. In a single month, the website will have over 9 billion page viewings, and is expected to increase due to upcoming features.

Myspace is truly an addiction and maybe someday I'll figure out the cure. Until that time, check out "my space" at holier_than_thou_.com. Yes, I'm working on it. Yes, I am a lurker and I'll probably ask some stranger to join me in cybering. No, I won't send pictures. Yes, I will call a random cyber-friend. And yes, I will call until I get a restraining order.

"Hi, my name is Marcel and I'm a Facebook addict. I'm also an up and coming Myspace addict, but I never did Xanga. Xanga sucks!"

LIFESTYLES

Fear and Loathing on a College Campus

Jennifer Aniston's bastard child to dress up in panties for Halloween



By Mikey Vu
Lifestyles Editor

Ah Janet Jackson as finally overtaken her brother as the reigning queen of headlines. In this past week alone, not only has there been accusations that she has a secret daughter in her teens, but there are also apparently videos of her sunbathing naked circulating the internet somewhere. This only proves one

thing: America is obsessed with Janet's boobs. First there was the Superbowl "wardrobe malfunction" where she was crucified for showing some nipple, now people are scrambling to find this hot new video. Come on now Janet, your boobs are like squirrels, they were interesting the first time around but we've all seen them so many times that they have ceased to be interesting.

And what about this secret bastard child? The Jackson family has been riddled with so many loony accusations, that it wouldn't really surprise me if it were true. I mean, that's one hell of a secret to be harboring if you were the teenage daughter. In regards to her former husband, James DeBarge, with which she supposedly had the child, Janet's mother had this to say, "James and the Jackson family keep everything real close, real tight." We all know how close and tight Mr. Michael Jackson likes to keep things, if you get my drift, which I think you do (psssst, he likes little boys). Janet's legs however, were unavailable for comment.

Over the past weekend, Jennifer Aniston had her house broken into by a homeless man who scaled

a 9 foot fence, and when questioned by a security guard as to what he was doing there, the homeless man responded: "Where's Jennifer? She wanted me to come here." Why, wouldn't it be just plain silly if we were all allowed to use this excuse and expected it to work. What if you were sleeping with your boss's wife and he came home unexpectedly to find you two in the midst of a passionate love making session? "Johnson! What the hell are you doing to my wife!" "Uh... you told me to." I do not foresee this working out well at all.

Which reminds me, I hope everyone's Halloween went fantastically. While amidst various Halloween parties this past weekend I had various epiphanies concerning why people dress up in the costumes that they do. For the men who dress up, it

really is just a competition to see if they can be funnier, wittier, or more effeminate than their other male friends.

For girls, it's a little more complex than that. See, Halloween for girls is pretty much who can wear the least amount of clothing while still looking sexy and dignified at the same time. Yet, the weird thing is that even the girls who feel super self conscious and would never wear anything remotely revealing 364 days of the year, will wear the skimpiest clothing on Halloween and not feel a damn thing at all. It's like Halloween is their get out of jail free card. "Hey, you know, I think bra and panties would make an awesome costume. What? My ass is showing? Oh don't worry about it, it's Halloween!" Do not pass go, do not collect \$200. But don't look at me, I'm not complaining.

Enlightenment through Austen

Margot Durand
Staff Writer

As an English major, I am quite aware of the writer Jane Austen. To my surprise, many other students around campus are not. While walking to class one day, I asked a friend what she thought of Jane Austen, and I received the reply, "What's a Jane Austen?" To my astonishment, my dear friend was not kidding. I explained that a Jane Austen is actually a person, and a well known, (or so I thought), author at that.

Austen's life was filled with many great accomplishments surrounding her writing. She was a successful author, with most of her rec-

ognition coming after her death in 1817. She published six major novels including: Pride and Prejudice, Sense and Sensibility, Northanger Abbey, Emma, Mansfield Park, and Persuasion. The first few novels mentioned are the most popular stories that are still read today.

Jane Austen is the inventor of the romantic comedy. Her novels are centered around complex love stories and focus on the characters more than anything else. Some judgement comes to her tales in the form of their subject matter. Why would anyone desire to read a sappy love story? The answer to the question is not clear cut. Some enjoy delving

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By Dan Cammarano
Astrological analysis

Libra 9/21-10/22

If you are ready for registration or not, it will be here faster than you can say an entire verse of Modern major general. Take a page from the pirates and take underwater basket weaving. Tonight get something done.

Scorpio 10/23-11/21

It's a coming of age story for you right now and you're looking hard for the right plot. Step outside your box and do what feels right even if it means stepping on a small adolescent fish or something. Tonight say good night to someone.

Sagittarius 11/22-12-21

We live in an uncertain world where you sometime question what you're here for. Suck it up playa, you need to realize the campus is yours, TAKE IT! Tonight gaze at the stars.

Capricorn 12/22-1/19

Violence is almost never the answer unless you play a sport. Go try a new sport with lots of violence to take out some of that pent up sexual tension you have with the men or ladies of Pacific. Tonight watch what you eat.

Aquarius 1/20-2/18

You crave tasty substance from the Summit. While I would stay way from the more exotic sounding things, remember that no one makes such an awesome burrito as the big BA does. Tonight have fries with it.

Pisces 2/19-3/20

So why do we spend so much time worrying about money? It has a lot to do with your shoes not being cute enough! Fix it with a trip to Robinhood Drive. Tonight think about your dirty clothes.

Aries 3/21-4/19

The recent swim meet has left a strong chlorinated odor around campus. Embrace the men and women that wake up early to swim by strutting your swimming gear tomorrow, give casual Friday a new meaning! Tonight prepare for the cold.

Taurus 4/20-5/20

I saw three students making photocopies at the library last night. To you this means that you need to stop worrying about your weight so much, switch the scale to kilograms and watch the pounds disappear.

pear. Tonight write a great American novel.

Gemini 5/21-6/21

For the last 10 years our President has built our school to the masterpiece it is today. Take a page from DeRosa and remove the ugly and add a few buildings in your dorm room. Tonight walk campus like it's the future.

Cancer 6/22-7/22

Home is not where the heart is for you, or where you make it, it's in that dark room within that building you call a residence hall. If it feels less and less like a nice place, remember that college is making you tough and living in a place called Ritter for the like is part of that. Tonight read the paper again.

Leo 7/23-8/22

Why do both the Pizza guy and the Chinese food guy know the gate code for the townhouses? It's because of safety silly, so take some food to the C section RAs tomorrow, cake is good. Tonight wonder why the C section is so much cooler than A and B sections.

Virgo 8/23-9/22

Why do we have a School of Pharmacy but no pharmacy on campus? Seek out Dr. Nancy to discover the answer, bring her something nice too, she likes nice things. The stars predict this will make you feel better about yourself. Tonight retie your shoe laces.

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into the romantic novels and fantasizing about true love. Others, do not. Austen's novels have clear romantic ties, but also include hilarious threads of wit, charm, and sarcasm. She deals with sturdier and more universal topics such as social class distinction, questions of morality, social justice, and the play of money in the outcome of relationships and marriage.

Austen's writing styles are a magnificent showing of her originality. She is a very sarcastic writer, whose humor is often times missed by readers. She pokes fun at common situations, and is sometimes seen as a bit

racy. The situations, relationships, and characteristics of Austen's novels can be seen relating directly to those in today's modern world. The clothing and language may be a bit different, but the concepts still apply. The film *Clueless* was adapted from the novel *Emma*. Cher is in the same place and similar state of mind as Emma, and both enjoy matchmaking. The film is a direct mirror to the book, in a general situation sense. Also a re-working of an Austen novel, is the more surprising *Bridget Jones Diary*. The movie is a re-telling of the more popular *Pride and Prejudice*. Though the novel is very well-known and has many film versions

of it's own, most don't realize that *Bridget Jones* is actually a re-working of the same old story.

The relation in our modern day and Austen's time is found a lot in the human characteristics and morals. These similarities are very apparent, and it seems only natural to dedicate a night to Austen and her works. 21st Century Jane Austen is an evening not only dedicated to the wonderful author, but also to showcase many projects and works from the Jane Austen class at Pacific. The Austen Night will be held on November 30th in the Presidents Room. Next week look forward to Austen Trivia, as well as more specific information!

Pacific Sports Wrap

Volleyball and Field Hockey coming to a close as basketball kicks off; Cross Country ends season

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WOMENS VOLLEYBALL

The Pacific women's volleyball team has one of their biggest home games of the season on Thursday night, Nov. 3, as they host Long Beach State. These rivals are perennially on top of the Big West Conference standings, and a win for the Tigers would help solidify their claim for a conference title.

The Tigers are currently 6-3 in conference play, but trail UCSB and Long Beach State by just one game in the loss column.

BASKETBALL

Basketball season will kick off on Saturday night, Nov. 5, as the Pacific women's basketball team hosts Cal State Monterey Bay at 5:00pm in exhibition action. Head Coach Craig Jackson welcomes nine newcomers

(including a redshirt freshman) into the fold for what should be an exciting season of basketball in the quest for a conference crown.

Following that game, the two-time defending Big West Champion men's basketball team has their first exhibition game as they play host to Seattle University. Much like Coach Jackson, Head Coach Bob Thomason has nine newcomers (including two red-

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The Red Fog:

49ers rely on fans for victory

**Ryan Mathews
Columnist**

During a season of changes and reconstruction, the San Francisco 49ers looked towards their fans for the next answer to their prayers. Playing the Tampa Bay Buccaneers on Halloween Eve, the 49ers had already been through a tough season with only one win against the St. Louis Rams in week one, and a "dignified" loss against the Dallas Cowboys in week three.

This was the voicemail that Defensive Lineman Bryant Young left before Sunday for every season ticket holder: "Hi, this is Bryant Young from the San Francisco 49ers. We are asking you to show your faith this Sunday by wearing red to Monster Park. We want to look up in the stands and see a red fog of 49er fans as we battle the Tampa Bay Buccaneers. Remember to wear red to the game. Thank you for your support, and I'll see you Sunday." There was plenty of red at the game and it wasn't the fans' glasses of merlot.

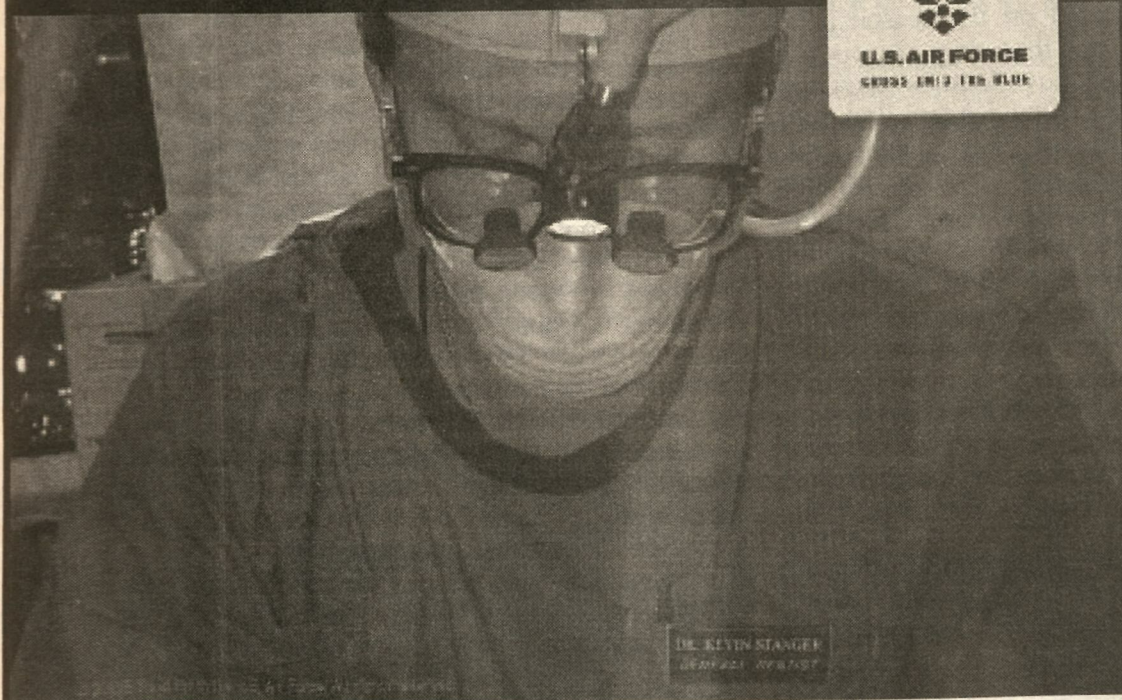
The Bucs came into Monster Park with only five wins and one loss, making them the NFC division leaders on Sunday. On top of this commanding statistic, San Francisco has been dealing with a team full of injuries; they even had to bring up a few players from the practice squad. To add to the teams roster problems, quarterback Tim Rattay had just been traded, to the Buccaneers mid-week prior to the game. Number one draft pick Alex Smith lost his mentor and starting spot in a single week, and it was up to Kevin Dorsey to carry the team.

That wasn't really the case this weekend when all of the team's power on offense was really found in the running game, and the energy from that power was carried unto the kicker. Kevin Barlow did an outstanding job all game, moving the ball up the field and allowing the team to attempt field goals, one after another. Even before halftime, the team was just going to run the clock out and go to the locker room with a simple running play, but Barlow was able to break tackles and set the team up for yet another field goal.

The 49ers kicker, Joe Nedney, hit five out of his six attempts to put the ball through the uprights, giving the team a grand total of fifteen points. His sure-footed aim really helped the team, but credit also has to be given to the defense. By reading a poll on 49ers.com, I noticed that all the fans thought that none of this would have happened if the defense didn't come out as ready as they did. Even the "voicemail" (a.k.a. Bryant Young) was able to breach through the offensive line numerous times and at least hurry, if not sack the quarterback for a fumble and 49er recovery.

Recovery is the name of the game for this team, and maybe the Red Fog could be factored in as the 12th man. All hope aside, next week the 49ers play Eli Manning and the New York Giants. That team just came off a 36-0 win over the Washington Redskins. The Skins had beaten the tar out of the 49ers, 52-7, just one week before. That's saying a great deal for the Giants but it goes to show on any given week, anything can happen in the National Football League.

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Week 9 Predictions



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The field hockey team poses for a championship picture. After a successful seasons, Pacific has earned the number one seed in Conference play.

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shirt freshmen) in the mix, along with two-time All-Big West First Team selection Christian Maraker, as expectations run high in hopes for a conference three-peat.

FIELD HOCKEY

University of the Pacific claimed the top seed for the 2005 NorPac Field Hockey Championship and will receive a first round bye. The Tigers tied for the regular season championship with California at 5-1, and claimed the top seed because of their 2-1 victory over the Bears earlier this season.

It will be the first time Pacific has been the top seed, since the NorPac went to a tournament format in 1998. Cal, claiming its seventh straight regular season title, will be the No. 2 seed and also have a first round bye. By virtue of Stanford's 3-2

victory over Radford today, the Cardinal will be the No. 3 seed and Radford the No. 4 seed as both teams tied for third with 4-2 records. Davidson, who finished at 2-4 in the NorPac is the fifth seed and Appalachian State who finished at 0-6 will be the sixth seed.

CROSS COUNTRY

The Pacific women's cross country team completed the Big West Championships at UC Riverside in eighth place on Saturday, October 29. UC Irvine took home the team championship while Amber Stern of UC Irvine claimed the individual title.

Sophomore Ainsley Cray (Rhineland, Wisc.) paced the Tigers throughout the 6k race, finishing the run in 52nd place with a time of 23:54.5. Finishing second for the Tigers was senior Jill Himlin (Santa Cruz, Calif.) who finished two spots back with a time of 23:58.8.



Photograph from Pacific Athletics

THE WALL: The defence gets ready to make a stand on a penalty.

Chase Tapalla
NFL Guru

Overall Record: 34-22

NY Giants at San Francisco

The Niners played their best game of the season last week with a 15-10 victory over a good Bucs team. The offense was still stagnant in the passing area, but Kevan Barlow rushed for 101 yards. It also looks like Cody Pickett can be a quick fix to the offense. The Giants dominated last week after shutting out the Redskins. Tiki Barber had over 200 yards on the ground and their defense was very impressive. I know the 49ers had a good week last week, but the Giants are just playing much better football.

Giants 28, 49ers 13

Oakland at Kansas City

This game should be close, especially because it is in Kansas City. The Raiders have figured out that Lamont Jordan is a top tier RB and needs to have the ball in his hands. They almost blew a 17-point lead against Tennessee because of their banged up defense. Kansas City started off the season a lot better than they are playing right now. Trent Green finally had a good game, but they still lost. Their defense was supposed to be better than they are performing so far. The Raiders are on a roll and, I think, will get the victory on Jordan's legs.

Raiders 28, Chiefs 24

Carolina at Tampa Bay

Carolina looked very good last week, but it was against a very poor Minnesota team. Steve Smith is the comeback player of the year and is one of the best receivers in football. Stephen Davis is a goal line threat and the defense is starting to play better. Tampa Bay needs to find the right quarterback to throw into their offense if they expect to make the playoffs. Chris Simms, besides one long TD, had a bad game against the 49ers. Cadillac Williams needs to run for more than 20 yards this week too. Carolina has not been very good on

the road, but I think this is an exception.

Carolina 24, Bucs 14

Philadelphia at Washington

This is going to be a tough game. The Redskins are a perfect 3-0 at home and the Eagles are 1-3 on the road. It seems like the Redskins should walk away with it, but not so fast. The Redskins had the worst game of any team last week after being embarrassed by the Giants. Mark Brunell got benched and Clinton Portis only had 9 yards on the ground. The Eagles played their worst game last week after losing by 28 to the Broncos. This game is going to come down to which offense will be more potent. The Eagles have been a little inconsistent, but I think they can pull it out.

Eagles 24, Redskins 20

Chicago at New Orleans

Chicago is surprisingly at the top of their division with a 4-3 record. Their offense has one bright spot, Thomas Jones. He is not the reason for their early success. The real reason is their spectacular defense. Brian Urlacher is healthy and looking like his old self. The Saints had their first game in Louisiana this season, but couldn't pull out a victory. There is a lot of weight on Aaron Brooks' shoulders because of the injury to Deuce McAllister. Joe Horn is back and that is the only good news for the

Google.

Saints. The Bears' D will in Brooks' face all game force turnovers.

Bears 17, Saints 10

San Diego at NY Jets

The Chargers may be but they are still one of the best teams in the NFL. The schedule has been very difficult and going .500 is a small victory. LT looks more like a QB lately than a running back after throwing 3 TDs in the last few games. Antonio Gates had a career game proved he is the best tight end in football. The Jets are hurting at QB and has been a huge reason for their disappointing record. Vinny Testaverde and Brooks Bollinger are enough to have the Jets win this game.

Chargers 28, Jets 17

Indianapolis at New England

This game means a lot to both the Colts and Patriots. The Colts look like they will make the playoffs but they need the victory to get the monkey off their back against the Patriots. The Patriots need to win to keep pace with all the solid AFC teams fighting for a playoff spot. The Colts relied heavily upon Ed McCaffrey and he will be a factor between defeat and victory. If he can run for 100 yards, which should happen, the Colts should win. They are going to pick all road games this week and choose Indianapolis.

Colts 27, Patriots 24

